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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated October 24, 2003, the due date for response having been extended one 3(1) month to February 24, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel dlaims 1-12 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

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